

### **ABSTRACT**

An apparatus for supporting a surgical drape during eye surgery comprising a flexible supply tube and a flexible suction tube which is easily formed by hand to maintain a desired shape and which serves the dual role of supporting the surgical drape above the patient's nose and mouth and providing a breathing environment by supplying air or oxygen and by removing exhaled CO<sub>2</sub>-rich air. Ports are located at the upper ends of the supply and suction tubes near the patient's face. The lower ends of the supply and suction tubes are equipped with optional valves and coupled to an oxygen source and a suction source, respectively. A bracket is disposed beneath the patient and supports the tubes near their lower ends.

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